



US009411009B1

(12) **United States Patent**  
**Aguayo Gonzalez et al.**

(10) **Patent No.:** **US 9,411,009 B1**  
(45) **Date of Patent:** **Aug. 9, 2016**

(54) **SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND APPARATUSES FOR INTRUSION DETECTION AND ANALYTICS USING POWER CHARACTERISTICS SUCH AS SIDE-CHANNEL INFORMATION COLLECTION**

(71) Applicant: **POWER FINGERPRINTING INC.,**  
Vienna, VA (US)

(72) Inventors: **Carlos R. Aguayo Gonzalez**, Reston, VA (US); **Jeffrey H. Reed**, Blacksburg, VA (US); **Steven C. Chen**, Potomac, MD (US)

(73) Assignee: **Power Fingerprinting Inc.**, Vienna, VA (US)

(\*) Notice: Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.

(21) Appl. No.: **14/881,862**

(22) Filed: **Oct. 13, 2015**

#### Related U.S. Application Data

(62) Division of application No. 14/720,497, filed on May 22, 2015, now Pat. No. 9,268,938.

(51) **Int. Cl.**  
**G01R 31/00** (2006.01)  
**G01R 31/28** (2006.01)  
(Continued)

(52) **U.S. Cl.**  
CPC ..... **G01R 31/2832** (2013.01); **G01R 21/00** (2013.01); **G01R 31/2887** (2013.01);  
(Continued)

(58) **Field of Classification Search**  
CPC ..... G01R 31/2891; G01R 31/2887; G01R 31/2893; G01R 1/0408; G01R 31/2886  
USPC ..... 324/71, 378, 403, 415, 425, 537, 324/750.16, 754.01  
See application file for complete search history.

(56) **References Cited**

#### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

7,515,094 B2 4/2009 Keller, III  
7,853,437 B2 12/2010 Seguin et al.

(Continued)

#### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

WO WO2010/044069 4/2010  
WO WO2013/131073 9/2013  
WO 2014/144857 A2 9/2014

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Cardoso, Bill et al., "X-Ray Inspection Techniques to Identify Counterfeit Electronic Components", ECN Magazine, Mar. 11, 2014, 6 pgs., Downloaded on Nov. 11, 2015 at <http://www.ecnmag.com/articles/2014/03/x-ray-inspection-techniques-identify-counterfeit-electronic-components>.

(Continued)

*Primary Examiner* — Jermele M Hollington

*Assistant Examiner* — Raul Rios Russo

(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm* — Cooley LLP

(57) **ABSTRACT**

Some embodiments described herein include a system that collects and learns reference side-channel normal activity, process it to reveal key features, compares subsequent collected data and processed data for anomalous behavior, and reports such behavior to a management center where this information is displayed and predefined actions can be executed when anomalous behavior is observed. In some instances, a physical side channel (e.g. and indirect measure of program execution such as power consumption or electromagnetic emissions and other physical signals) can be used to assess the execution status in a processor or digital circuit using an external monitor and detect, with extreme accuracy, when an unauthorized execution has managed to disrupt the normal operation of a target system (e.g., a computer system, etc.).

**19 Claims, 19 Drawing Sheets**

